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BOND PROPOSAL AUGUST 1st, 2023

The Board of Commissioners for Ocean Beach Hospital & Medical Clinics (also known as Public Hospital District No. 3 of Pacific County) is asking voters to consider a small bond for capital needs on the Primary Election ballot.



A bond requires a 60%
supermajority to pass



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What are the capital projects that would be funded? Adding space for non-profit Urgent Care Center and specialty medical services, hospital renovations, and upgrading medical equipment are the priorities. A full list of projects is online: www.oceanbeachhospital.com/bond.

Have we passed a bond before? Yes, voters have a history of approving bonds for capital items. They last approved a 20-year bond of \$0.35 per \$1,000, which was paid off in 2021.

How will these projects improve local access to health care for residents? Currently, there are long wait times for primary care providers and residents have to travel long distances for some specialty services. Adding space will attract more medical professionals to our community to provide primary and specialty care services such as orthopedics, dermatology, podiatry, behavioral health, and diabetes care.

What renovations will we see at our hospital? Hospital patient rooms and bathrooms will be updated for safety, wheelchair access and

energy efficiency. The nurses' station, surgical rooms, and pharmacy will be expanded to accommodate modern patient care. We will replace cast-iron pipes as well as hospital HVAC and utility systems that are at the end of their usable lives.

How much will it cost? The bond is projected to cost \$0.17 per \$1,000 of assessed property value and last for 20 years. This equates to a projected \$68 per year (\$5.67 per month) for a home valued at \$400,000.

What else would the bond accomplish? These capital projects will help our local economy by hiring local businesses, purchasing materials locally, and employing people in our community.

Why is this necessary? It's important that rural residents have access to quality health care services just like urban areas. These bond-funded projects would increase access to and the quality of care residents receive.



**STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?
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